

BIG CARNATIONS.

They Were Cultivated in England in Shakespeare's Time.

A florist says that we pride ourselves nowadays on the size of our carnations, but the florists of 300 years ago grew carnations three to four inches across, as large as any that we see, and thought nothing of it.

"All through Spain, southern France and Italy the carnation is the favorite flower and has been for hundreds of years, but along the Mediterranean there are few glass houses, for in protected situations and on southern slopes of hills even delicate flowers grow outdoors all winter long and bloom as freely at Christmas as in July.

"The big carnations, however, were not grown in Spain or Italy, but in England outdoors during the summer time and before glass houses were known. They may have grown just as large carnation flowers in Spain as in England at that time, but in England there was record made of the fact and also of the size, while in Spain there was not. Shakespeare mentions carnations and gillyflowers, or July flowers, together as blooming at the same season, which shows that the carnation was then a summer flower, whereas in our greenhouses it is now a winter bloomer. How the florists of those days treated the plants to obtain blooms of such size nobody knows, for old time florists grew flowers instead of writing books about them. So all we know is that they had very large carnations in Queen Elizabeth's time without knowing how they were grown."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

HIDDEN TREASURE.

New Zealanders Dig For Kauri Gum In the Ground.

Many New Zealanders find it profitable to dig for hidden treasure. That for which they dig, however, is not gold or Captain Kidd's ill gotten wealth, though it has a dull yellow color. It is kauri gum, a resinous substance which is the product of the kauri pine tree. The gum can be secured from the trunks of trees while they are alive, for it protrudes in lumps, but it is especially profitable to dig for it in the soil about the stumps remaining after the trees have been cut down. Sometimes chunks weighing as much as 100 pounds are taken up from the ground.

Digging for kauri gum is profitable, for the gum is used in the manufacture of varnish, and apparently it is one of those products of nature whose place cannot be filled by anything else which has yet been discovered. It has been found that it can be used in certain enamel paints, and this has had the effect of bringing the demand up to a point above the supply.

The kauri pine is a magnificent tree. It rises as straight as a needle to a height of from 150 to 250 feet and attains at times a diameter of fifteen feet. It is noted for its dark, dense foliage and is much used for masts for vessels constructed for the British navy.

Chewing and Dyspepsia.

The lean dyspeptic, taking a mouthful of chop, chewed it interminably.

"Forty chews," he paused to say, "for every bite." And his jaws began to grind again.

"You make me laugh," his companion, a physiologist, returned. "Meat requires little, if any, chewing. You must have wasted a lot of chews in your time."

"Go on!"

"It's true. Vegetables require chewing, for they are digested largely by the alkaline mouth juices, but meat is digested by the acid stomach juices, and to chew it more than enough to make it go down easily does harm instead of good. The mouth alkalies, admixing with it, hinder the stomach acids' work.

"Chew vegetables indefatigably, my friend, but let your meat slip down unground."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Word "Idiot."

"Idiot" is a word with a curious history. In Greek "idiotes" began by meaning a private individual, as opposed to the state or to a state official; then it meant a nonexpert or layman and finally an ignorant man or an awkward fellow. It was left for English to carry the meaning further to mental deficiency. In "Piers Plowman" an "idiot" is an ignorant person, and as late as 1638 it could mean a person who knew only one language. Wycliff and Jeremy Taylor used it in the sense of "layman," and the latter also in that of "private person." And a professional "fool" or jester was at one time an "idiot" too.

Where Her Father Was.

The daughter of the house had just returned from boarding school. Her finishing branches had made her a little sensitive.

"Is your father out in the wood shed splitting wood?" the caller asked her.

"No," replied the haughty girl; "papa is at the town meeting splitting infinitives."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Liquid Spirits.

"I don't give money to tramps. What do you do for a living?"

"Please, mum, I work for the Society of Psychical Research."

"Indeed! And what work do you do for the society, pray?"

"I help in the investigation of material spirits."—Baltimore American.

Hard knocks often help to make the man, but he will encounter plenty of them without purposely getting in the way of the rock as it comes rolling down the hill.—Macquib Engle.

STOCK REDUCING SALE!

Free! Free!

To the first one hundred customers attending the opening of our sale Monday, between the hours of 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock, will each receive a Waist Pattern of good material.

Standard Patterns for June.

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MAIL OR PHONE

Mail or Phone orders will receive same attention as in person. You can send your smallest child and have the assurance that it will have same treatment as in person. CITIZENS PHONE, No. 164.

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MONDAY, JUNE 17th

Our big stock reducing sale will begin for one week. As this is our first sale in Newport News, we intend to make it a record breaker, therefore the exceptional values offered below. During this sale nothing will be reserved; everything will be put on sale. If you don't see what you came for, call for it. Our store-room is too small to display everything advertised. Co-operate with us and help to make this the greatest sale ever held in Newport News. Every dollar's worth of goods bought now, at the prices advertised, means a big saving later. One price to all; everything marked in plain figures. Goods delivered to any part of the city, and Hampton or Phoebus.

Dress Goods.

20c Silk Mulls, all colors. Sale price.....12 1-2c yard
30 and 35c Fancy Silk Organzies. Sale price.....25c yard
50c Plaid China Silks. Sale price.....30c yard
\$1.25 Black Guaranteed Taffeta. Sale price.....95c yard
27-inch China in colors. Sale price.....39c yard
36-inch China in all colors. Sale price.....49c yard
85c White Serge, good quality. Sale price.....69c yard
50c Batiste, all colors. Sale price.....33c yard
\$1.50 Cheek, Plaid and Striped Suitings.....95c yard
\$1.00 Silk Imported Pongee, all colors.....69c yard
25c River Ban Suitings, all colors, 36 inches wide.....15c yard
17 1-2c Persian Plaid Lawn, in checks and dots.....12 1-2c yard
20c Figured Lawn, all shades.....12 1-2c yard
25c Mercerized Shepherd Plaid Gingham.....19c yard
15c Lawns, all colors. Sale price.....10c yard
10 and 12 1-2c Gingham. Sale price.....8c yard
36 in. wide Fast Colored Percales. Sale price.....12 1-2c yard
25c White Mercerized Watling. Sale price.....19c yard
40 in. Lawn, good quality. Sale price.....10c yard
15c Dotted Swiss. Sale price.....8c yard
Yellow Homespun. Sale price.....6c, 7c and 8c yard
25c Danish Cloth, all colors. Sale price.....15c yard
CAMBRIC AND SHEETING AT LOW PRICES.
\$1.25 Voiles, all colors. Sale price.....85c yard
79c Voiles, all colors. Sale price.....59c yard

Sea Island & Sheeting.

9-1 Lockwood Sheeting. Sale price.....33c yard
8-4 Lockwood Sheeting. Sale price.....29c yard
8-4 Unbleached Sheeting. Sale price.....25c yard
4-4 Sea Island Cotton. Sale price.....9c, 6c yard

Ladies' and Children's Vests.

15c good quality Ribbed Vest. Sale price.....12 1-2c each
12 1-2c good Vests. Sale price.....9c each
8c Vests, good quality. Sale price.....5c each

Around the Store.

35c Persian Ribbon, new designs. Sale price.....25c yd
25c Ladies' Hose. Sale price.....19c pair
19c Ladies' Hose. Sale price.....14c pair
15c Ladies' Hose. Sale price.....11c pair
15c Child's Hose or Sox. Sale price.....9c pair
5c Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Sale price.....2c each
12 1-2c quality Handkerchiefs. Sale price.....8c each
Brooch Pins, regular 25c kind, now.....10c
Violet Talcum Powder. Sale price.....5c can
Perfumed Lavender Ammonia. Sale price.....17c bottle
15c Windsor Ties. Sale price.....10c each
UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS AT MOVING PRICES.

WASH AND LEATHER BELTS.

A large line of Wash and Leather Belts will be sold at very low prices. The above line of Belts is the latest styles and designs.

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PILLOW CASES AND SHEETS

15c quality good Pillow Cases. Sale price.....11c
29c Hemstitched Cases. Sale price.....12 1-2c
30c Sheets, torn. Sale price.....69c
69c Sheets with seam. Sale price.....49c

TABLE LINEN AND COVERS.

35c Red Table Cloth. Sale price.....24c yard
65c White Table Linen. Sale price.....49c yard
65c White Mercerized. Sale price.....49c yard
\$1.25 72-inch Pure Irish Linen. Sale price.....98c yard
35c yard Linen Finish Table Damask. Sale price.....25c yard
\$1.75 White Table Covers, Mercerized, 10-1. Sale price.....\$1.29 each
50c Red Table Covers, 8-1. Sale price.....69c each

NAPKINS AND DOILES.

\$1.25 dozen White Damask Napkins. Sale price.....89c dozen
95c dozen White Damask Napkins. Sale price.....69c dozen
19c Hemstitched Doilies. Sale price.....12 1-2c each
Other Doilies and Napkins at MOVING PRICES.

TOWELS AND TOWELING.

50c Turkish Towels (with or without fringe). Sale price.....35c each
50c Turkish Towels. Sale price.....19c each
\$1.00 pair Linen Damask Towels, large size. Sale price.....79c pair
Said 10c Cotton Towels. Sale price.....5c each
12 1-2c Linen Toweling. Sale price.....9c yard

LADIES' WASH SUITS AND SKIRTS.

Our line of Ladies' Wash Suits and Skirts is equal to the best line that has ever been shown in the city, and at the prices we are selling them is sufficient evidence that they are priced right. Prices lower during this sale than ever. Our line consists of Cannon Cloth in all colors, Duck and Kahki Cloth—all sizes, \$8.00.

\$8.50 Ladies' Wash Suits, all sizes. Sale price.....\$4.98
\$10.00 White Embroidered Lawn Suits (our make). Sale price.....\$5.98

\$15 and \$17.50 Silk Jumper Suits, all sizes. Sale price.....\$9.98
25 per cent. Reduction on Spring Suits and Skirts.

SKIRTS AND WAISTS.

We do not like to brag, but in justice we must admit that our line of Skirts and Waists are equal to the lines shown by some of the largest competitors in the largest cities. Our entire line of Waists have that distinctiveness only found in goods handled by us.

\$5.00 Ladies' White Serge Skirts, all sizes. Sale price.....\$2.98
\$1.50 Wash Skirts, all the latest fabrics. Sale price.....98c
Our line of Voiles from \$4.93 up are winners.
\$6.00 Silk or Net Waist, all sizes. Sale price.....\$3.98

\$5.00 Silk or Net Waist, all sizes. Sale price.....\$2.98
\$2.25 White Lingerie Waist, handsomely trimmed. Sale price.....\$1.49
\$1.25 and \$1.50 Waists, all sizes, trimmed. Sale price.....98c
75c good quality Lawn or Chambray Waists. Sale price.....49c

WRAPPERS AND KIMONOS.

\$1.25 Wrapper, good percale, all sizes. Sale price.....98c

Big line of Silk and Cotton Kimonos from 49c up.

Our Ladies' Man Tailoring Department is the most complete in city

Marseilles Quilts and Spreads.

\$5.00 Marseilles Quilt, heavy weight, handsome design. Sale price.....\$3.98
\$3.00 Marseilles Quilt (Marseilles pattern), crocheted. Sale price.....\$1.98
\$1.50 Good quality Spread. Sale price.....98c
Other Spreads at LOWER PRICES.

Notions.

35c Baby Caps. Sale price.....24c each
50c Door Panels, embroidered. Sale price.....29c each
50c Tam-O-Shanters, all colors. Sale price.....39c each
\$3.00 and \$4.00 Street Hats (drummers' samples) on sale at.....\$1.48
25c Embroidered Collars. Sale price.....19c each
\$2.00 Long Lisle Silk Gloves, all colors.....\$1.48 pair
\$1.50 Lisle Black and White Gloves.....98c pair
\$1.00 Black and White Gloves.....69c pair
Large line of Turn-over Collars at very low prices.

Corsets and Girdles.

R. & G. \$1.00 Corset or Girdle, all sizes.....69c
R. & G. Corset, 75c value, now.....49c
Other styles up to \$1.98.

All Over Laces and Embroidery and Laces.

All-Over Laces.....39c to \$1.98 yard
5c Laces, Insertion and Edging to match.....2c yard
15c Embroidery, 9 inches wide.....10c yard
10c Embroidery, 4 inches wide. Sale price.....5c yard
50c Wide Swiss Embroidery. Sale price.....39c yard

Rain and Pony Coats.

Space does not give us room to mention the different styles in Coats that we carry, but suffice to say that we have all the latest styles.
\$20.00 Rain Coat, satin face rubber lined, piped. Sale price.....\$12.48
\$8.00 Cravenette Long Coats, all shades and sizes. Sale price.....\$4.98
\$4.00 Box or Pony Coat. Sale price.....\$2.98
Now is the time for a Pony or Box Coat—these cool evenings.

Boys' Wash Suits.

\$1.25 Boys' Wash Suits, all sizes. Sale price.....73c
\$1.00 Boys' Knee Buster Brown Pants. Sale price.....69c
The above lot of Suits are in Sailor and Buster Brown effect.

Infant, Children and Baby Dresses.

\$1.50 Lawn or Gingham Dresses, trimmed V-front, all sizes. Sale price.....\$1.19
\$2.00 Gimp Gingham Dresses, trimmed, embroidered and lace. Sale price.....\$1.39
\$2.00 Colored Gingham Cloth Suspender Dresses, all sizes. Sale price.....\$1.39
A large line of Infant's and Baby Dresses, made of good quality Cambric and Long Cloth will be sold very cheap.

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